

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. - 38. (Canceled)

39. (New) A communication apparatus provided on a steering handle of an automobile, comprising:

a first set of keys including:

at least six keys in three rows and two columns on a left side front face of the steering handle; and

at least ten keys in five rows and two columns on a left side back face of the steering handle; and

a second set of keys including:

at least one input means key on a right side front face of the steering handle;

at least six keys in three rows and two columns including at least two shift keys on the right side front face of the steering handle; and

at least ten keys in five rows and two columns on a right side back face of the steering handle;

wherein the at least six keys on the left side front face, the at least ten keys on the left side back face, and the at least ten keys on the right side back face of the steering handle are assigned to at least twenty-six characters.

40. (New) The communication apparatus according to claim 39, wherein the at least twenty-six characters are alphabet letters.

41. (New) The communication apparatus according to claim 39, wherein the at least one input means key consist of at least one of the following:

joy stick, joy key, cogwheel, or arrow direction key.